

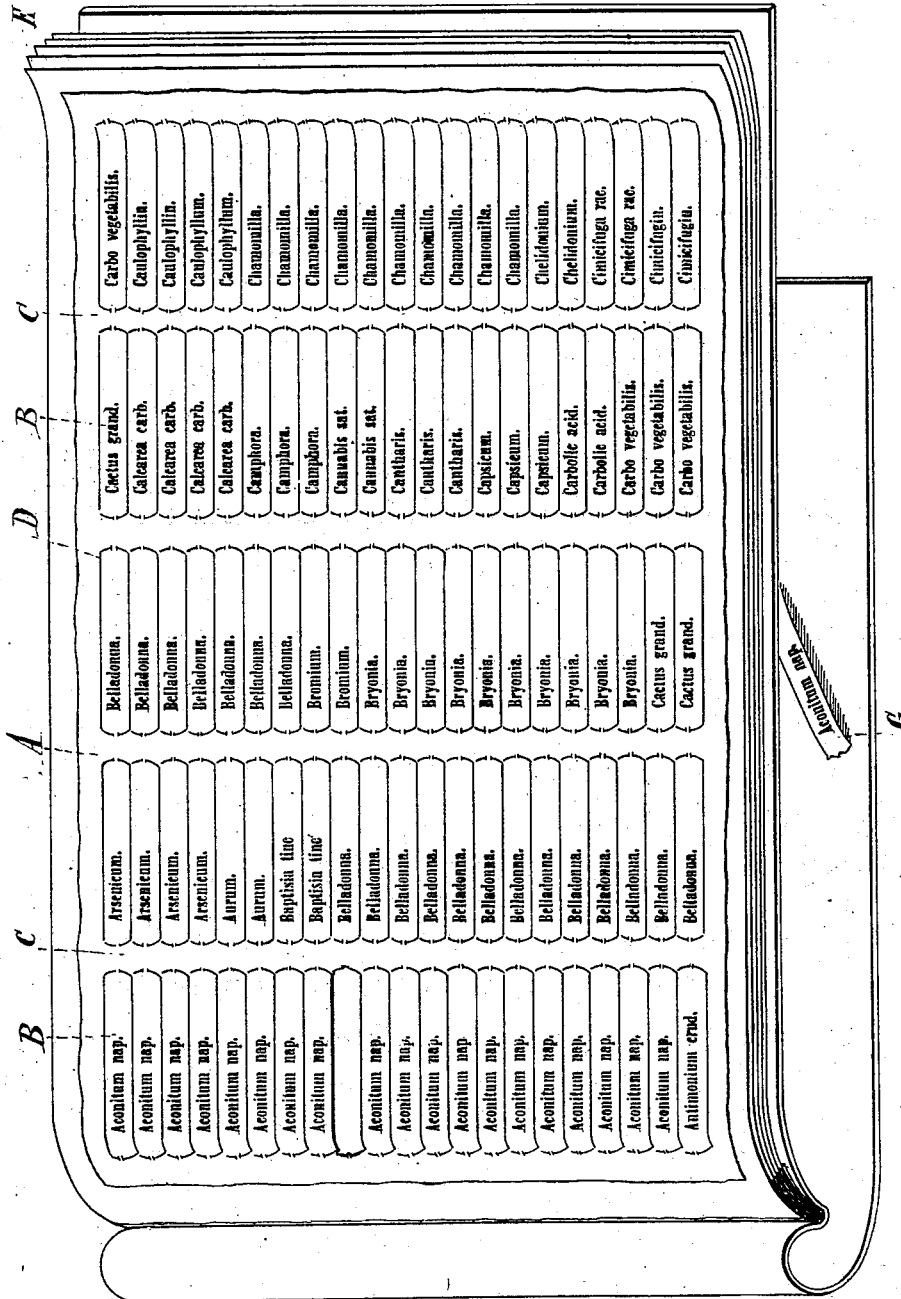
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## LABEL-PACKAGE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ORVILLE L. PARMENTER, of Cincinnati, Hamilton county, Ohio, have invented a new and useful Label-Package, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a device for presenting druggists' and other labels in a form whereby the labeling of vials and other packages is greatly expedited and rendered less liable to error than by the old method.

The accompanying drawing illustrates my invention in its preferred form.

I provide one or more sheets, A, of thin paper, of suitable quality for labels, and imprint the same with the names of drugs or other articles in some order convenient for reference, preferably in alphabetical order, and in columns B separated and surrounded by blank or unprinted spaces C. I coat the entire rear surface of such sheet with mucilage, isinglass, or other suitable adhesive substance in a similar manner to that employed for postage-stamps. I then, with a suitable sharp instrument, partially sever the labels from one another and from the blank columns C by means of incisions D. Those portions of the sheet immediately in rear of the unprinted portions C are moistened and are made to adhere to a sheet of paper or card-board, E. The device is then in condition for use, which is done by separating with the finger-nail or any thin instrument the desired label or labels, which, not being adherent to the backing and almost wholly separated by the incisions D, are easily detached in their proper shape. At G a label is shown thus separated from the sheet.

To put the device in still more convenient form, I customarily bind a pack or number of such mounted sheets in a book, F, which may contain or constitute a complete repertory of the labels used in any particular business or establishment. Such a book is represented in the drawing. This arrangement keeps the labels flat and clean and in perfect condition for instant use without the necessity of a cutting-

instrument to separate the labels, or the consumption of important time and serious liability of error incident to the methods in common use, and supersedes the necessity of previous separation in considerable numbers, with liability to curl up, to adhere to one another, and to be otherwise deteriorated.

Labels thus cut without being entirely separated can be of any desired symmetrical form and uniform dimensions, instead of being in the ragged and unshapely form they assume as commonly cut by knife or scissors.

The backing being of a different shade or color to the labels, or of a color that will contrast with that of the labels, facilitates observation of those which remain mounted.

This system enables the user to detect quickly any lack or approaching lack of a particular label and serves as a reminder to supply the missing quantity.

A modification of my invention may consist in using a backing whose portion in rear of the columns of labels is cut away, so as to enable the removal of any label by pressure from behind.

I claim as new and of my invention—

1. A label-package in which one or more sheets of labels are arranged in columns, with intervening and surrounding blank spaces, and coated with an adhesive substance on their rear, and partially separated with a cutting or incising instrument, and mounted upon a suitable backing by adhesion of the blank portions, the labels proper being left unattached, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. A label-package in which a number of sheets prepared and mounted as above described and claimed are bound into the form of a book in the manner designated and shown.

In testimony of which invention I hereunto set my hand.

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